

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification to read as follows:

Replace paragraph [0002] in the Specification of the above-identified application with the following paragraph:

[0002] [[--]] Not applicable.

Replace paragraph [0006] in the Specification of the above-identified application with the following paragraph:

[0006] In one embodiment, the present invention is a method of cleaving a target RNA molecule comprising the step of exposing in vitro or in vivo the target molecule to an eukaryotic tRNA splicing endonuclease, wherein the target molecule is in the bulge-helix-bulge conformation, wherein cleavage occurs within the bulge-helix-bulge and cleavage products are generated, and wherein the target molecule does not comprise a [[tNRA]] tRNA structure.